## The Mezzanine Gallery to Exhibit "Curiosity and Flux" by Shawn Faust

On view from December 6, 2019 — January
10, 2020
Free opening reception on Friday,
December 6 at 5 p.m.

Wilmington, Del. (November 26, 2019) — *Curiosity and Flux*, an exhibition of abstract paintings by Shawn Faust, will be on view in the Mezzanine Gallery from December 6, 2019 — January 10, 2020. The artist will host a free opening reception on Friday, December 6, from 5-7 p.m. Faust, a resident of Bear, received a 2019 Established Fellowship in Painting from the Delaware Division of the Arts.

The work in this exhibition represents a shift for Faust, who is best known for his award-winning representational equestrian paintings. For his new abstract works, he merges pictorial elements of representation with non-objective forms as a response to memories and the ephemeral qualities of life.

Shawn Faust compares himself to a chef who is changing the menu by using the same ingredients, tools, and techniques but with differing results. He explains,

"I grant myself permission to diverge and pivot from one medium to another, experimenting with process and mark-making in search of my unknown. As a result, I am in a constant state of flux and possibility."

Images from left to right: Tides of Change, 2019, acrylic, 36

## x 36 inches

The <u>Mezzanine Gallery</u> is open to the public weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and is located in the Carvel State Office Building, 820 N. French Street, Wilmington.

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